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To My Patrons.

In presenting this catalogue to my patrons I intend to furnish a brief description of the stock which I have to offer during the year. Twelve years of wide observation in this section have led me to revise my list of stock, discarding many things which succeed in other portions of the State, but have proven of little value here. Many things cannot be successfully moved at all seasons of the year and when orders are received for such out of season they are placed on my books and filled as soon as shipment is advisable. On such orders I require 10 per cent down. I cannot undertake to enumerate all the distinct varieties of every plant that I often have in stock, and occasionally my supply of some varieties catalogued will run short, but in the latter case I will use every

endeavor to satisfy the customer by substitution or else refund the money.

I would strongly urge prospective customers to come and examine my stock before buying elsewhere. Our soil on this coast differs greatly from that of the interior farther north, hence stock grown near by will succeed better than that brought from a distance. Nursery No. 1, three minutes' walk up the track from Melbourne depot, contain samples of everything, and Nursery No. 4, at Malabar station, comprises the bulk of my citrus department, while my tropical department is at West Palm Beach. Only retail prices are quoted in this catalogue. I publish a price slip at times of such stock as I can offer in quantities at reduced rates and special prices will be made by correspondence at any time on such stock as I may have in abundance at the time.

I can supply the best varieties of acclimated strawberry plants from August to December in open ground.

All goods packed with care and delivered f. o. b., no responsibility being assumed after delivery to transportation

company. Extra charge for packing orders which are to leave this country. Small orders, can often be filled by mail most cheaply and in such cases 15 per cent must be added to amount of order for po-tage.

Six at dozen rates, fifty at 100 rates and 500 at 1,000 rates.

Terms strictly cash with order.

JOHN B. BEACH.



CITRUS FRUITS.

My entire stock of citrus trees is grown on high spruce pine and scrub land, and hence is far better adapted to any of our East Coast soil than trees grown on the compact pine or hammock land from the interior, our soil being very much looser and coarser on this coast. My nursery is in a locality which has no red rust, scale, or other pest, and I wish to warn prospective planters, that it may be wiser to get the trees near at home which you can inspect and know to be healthy before shipment, than to buy cheaper trees from a distance, where white fly, scale, etc., may be present, and the trees bring in the infection, though apparently healthy. Also some nurserymen have been selling trees on sweet stock. I have none in my nursery. And my trees are healthy and free from insect, budded low and will be carefully dug and packed. Prices for Tahiti Seedless Limes 75c each, \$35 per hundred. Tangerines 50c each, \$30 to \$35 per hundred. All other citrus trees 35c each, \$25 per hundred, \$200 per thousand.

Most of my trees are on sour stock, but I can furnish Grape Fruit, Hart's

Late, Homosassa and Mediterranean Sweet Oranges and Lemons on wild lemon roots.

ORANGES—*Citrus Aurantia Dulcis*.

Hart's Late—Our best standard late fruit. Excellent quality and nearly thornless.

Maltese Blood—Best blood orange; practically seedless and thornless,

Mediterranean Sweet—Excellent fruit, and tree absolutely thornless. Bears in a year from planting.

Riverside Navel—The famous California Navel; fruit large and seedless.

Homosassa or Dummit—This is the standard fruit which gave the Florida Orange its name. It is superior in flavor to any of the numerous varieties from foreign strains, and best adapted to our soil, in the opinion of a large proportion of the oldest growers.

Jaffa—This orange is considered the smoothest and most handsome fruit grown. Nearly thornless, and of fine flavor.

Boone's Early—Considered the best of the early oranges.

Pineapple—A native variety, similar to the Jaffa. Very highly recommended. Thorny.

Enterprise Seedless—Another native variety; similar to Pineapple, but said to be practically seedless.

STANDARD GRAPE FRUIT—*Citrus Decumana*. This Grape fruit is the finest for the market that I know of in size, quality and appearance.

Marsh's Seedless—Said to be practically seedless.

TANGERINES—*C. Aurantia Nobilis*.

Dancy—The finest of all Tangerines, tomato colored and thornless.

King of Siam—A very large Tangerine, which is especially valued for its quality.

LIMES—*C. Medica Limetta*.

Tahiti Seedless—This tree has been well tested here and has proven most desirable. It is free from the lime blight; fruit as large as a lemon, and quality exactly similar to a common lime, but absolutely seedless. It bears more heavily than any other member of this family, and fruit sells readily at fancy prices. It is superior to any lime or lemon ever grown. Main crop same as Villa Franca Lemon, or a few weeks earlier, but bears more or less fruit all the year around, also a good winter crop.

LEMONS—*C. Medica Limonium*.

Improved Villa Franca Lemon—This is the best Sicily Lemon in the State. Practically thornless and seedless, early, and of best quality.

I also have some Quumquats, and oranges dwarfed on Trifoliata stocks for 50 cents each.



TROPICAL FRUITS.

Most tropical plants cannot be removed readily from the open ground, and all such I grow in large pots.

Alligator Pear—*Persea Gratissima*.

—Large fruit, much relished as a salad or vegetable, with meat. 25 to 35 cents each, \$2 to \$3 per dozen.

Bananas—I can furnish roots of the Cavendish Dwarf for \$4 per hundred f. o. b., or \$1 per dozen.

COFFEE—*Coffea*.

Liberian—*Liberica*. The only variety of coffee which attains a palatable flavor when grown near the sea level. More vigorous in the habit of growth than the common Arabian coffee and will stand more sun. Price 50 cents.

Arabian—*Arabica*. The regular standard Mocha coffee. It does best grown in the shade. Price 50 cents.

Egg Fruit—*Lucuma Angustifolia*—Fruit orange yellow throughout; long and pointed; flavor very rich, and seeming as if it contained egg. 35 and 50 cents.

FIGS—*Ficus Carica*.

White Smyrna—The drying fig of commerce, 4 to 6 feet high, now bearing. Best fig for this coast. 25 cents each.

GUAVAS—*Psidium Guava*.

Guavas do not come absolutely true from seed. My stock is grown from carefully selected fruit of the best jelly guavas and well rooted. 25c each, \$2 per dozen, \$10 per hundred

Red Hardy Strawberry—*P. Catleganum*.—Of slow growth, with small, waxy foliage; fruit small, red and acid; free from the peculiar guava flavor and odor; very prolific, producing a full summer and winter crop; very ornamental. 25 cents each, \$2 per dozen, \$12 per hundred.

Chinese—*P. Chinensis*—Very similar to above, but sweet and of a yellow color; bears same year planted. 25 cents each, \$2 per dozen, \$12 per hundred.

Jamaica Apple—*Anona Reticulata*.

Usually called in Florida Cherimoya. The true Custard Apple, entirely distinct from the Peruvian Cherimoya. Price 25 cents each.

Loquat—*Mespilus Japonica*.

Large, dark, evergreen leaves, serrated, and undulated; new growth, light green. Fruit ripens in March, in bright orange

clusters, about the size and shape of Damson plum, and flavor very delicious, reminding one of grapes. Excellent for jelly. Wants rich moist land to do its best. Price 25 to 35 cents each, \$2.50 per dozen.

Mammee Apple—*Mammea Americana*.

Tree resembles the red mangrove when young, growing to look much like a magnolia. Fruit large, russet ball, orange within; pleasant, acid, closely resembling an apricot in flavor. Price 50 cents to \$1 each.

MANGO—*Mangifera Indica*.

One of the finest of tropical fruits. Tree stands wind well, and grows in any sandy soil, is extremely ornamental, and produces enormous crops of fruit, which resemble coningstone peaches, flat and oval, with a thick, leathery skin; pulp orange colored, and very delicious, especially in the East Indian varieties. Like the orange they do not always come true from seed.

Black Mango—Recommended by the Director of the Royal Botanical Gardens in Jamaica as especially adapted to Florida. Price 75 cents.

East Indian—This is probably the freest from fibre of any grown. It is said that

it can be eaten with a spoon. Price \$1.25 each.

Common—25 cents each; \$2 50 per dozen; \$10 per hundred.

No. II—Considered one of the finest of the West Indian Mangoes; skin green, and pulp pleasantly sub-acid, between the pineapple and peach in flavor, which last may be said, in a general way, of all the choicest mangoes. Price 35 cents each.

SAPODILLA—*Achras Sapota*.

An excellent fruit for home use. Price \$2 per dozen, \$12 per hundred; three years old, 6 in. pots, 50 cents each.

SOURSOP—A peculiar tropical fruit, much liked by some. Price 25 to 35 cents each.

MANGOSTEEN—*Garcinia Gamboge*.

The only variety of this famous fruit which succeeds well in the New World. Fruit resembling a Green Gage plum in flavor. Price \$2.50.

OTAHEITE GOOSEBERRY—*Cica Disticha*.

Large, handsome tree, producing green, acid fruit, which make an excellent substitute for gooseberries and currants. Price 50 cents.

OLIVE—*Olea Europea*.

This tree resembles a scrub oak when young; thrives well in light, sandy soil, and bears freely the seventh or eighth year. There is a large grove near Fernandina, which has been bearing since 1860, and yields a better income than most orange groves, is good for pickling. Price 25 cents.

PINEAPPLES—See special list.**POMEGRANATE**—*Punica Granatum*.

Famous fruit of Scripture times. Consists of a papery shell, filled with transparent sacks of pink or purple, sub-acid juice, and a seed in each. Yellow, with red cheeks, and glossy, as if varnished. Ships well. Price 25 cents each, \$2.50 per dozen.

Spanish Lime—*Melococca Bijuga*. Curious compound foliage. Fruit looks like a lime, and is of pleasant flavor, with a large edible seed in center. Price 35 cents.

Star Apple—*Chrysophyllum Cainito*.

Akin to the satin-leaf, but foliage even larger and richer. Fruit is purple, re-

resembling a well polished billiard ball, and pulp delicious, resembling a hot house grape. Price 35 and 50 cents.

Sugar Apple—*Anona Squamosa*.

The best known of the *Anonas*. Bears when very young, often the second year planted. Fruit is rich and creamy, with a honied sweetness almost too intense. Many prefer it when half ripe and a trifle tart. Of all the *Anonas*, it is inclined to be most markedly deciduous, hence stands more cold than the others. Price 25 to 35 cents.

Surinam Cherry—*Eugenia Michellii*.

Small shrub, with round leaves, bearing small, red, acid berries, which are excellent for stewing or in pies; extremely ornamental; 6 in. pots. Price 50 cents each.

Tamarind—*Tamarindus Indica*.

Very ornamental trees, with fleshy brown and green pods, very acid, and used to make a cooling beverage, and also largely for preserving. Free grower. Price 25 cents.

Vanilla Orchid—Produces the vanilla bean of commerce. Price 50 cents.

Following fruits must be moved during their period of rest, before the sap starts to flow again in the spring. December and January is the best time to ship these, though occasionally in late seasons they can be moved in February.



DECIDUOUS TEMPERATE FRUITS.

GRAPES—*Vitis*.

Price 25 cents each, \$2.50 per dozen; special prices by the hundred.

Scuppernong—*Vitis rotundifolia*.—A rampant grower, and profuse bearer; fruit large, but bunches very small; flavor very good. A single vine has been known to cover an arbor one-fourth of an acre in area. Choicest variety. Two years old.

Delaware—Small and spicy grape with thin skin. Succeeds very well with us. One of the finest table grapes, and a good shipper.

California Raisin -- White, sometimes slightly tinted with pink. Bunches and berries very large. Thrives well in Florida sand. We recommend this grape for this country.

Niagara—Quality about like Concord. Ripens soon after. Bunches and berries large.

MULBERRIES, Downing's Everbearing, *Morus Alba*.

Rapid growing tree, producing abundance of long, black berries, resembling blackberries, but with smaller seeds. Very good for table use, pies, etc. Price 25 cents, \$2 per dozen.

Persimmon—*Japanese Diospyros Kaki*.

Large, showy fruit, resembling tomato, though some varieties are oblong and pointed. Flavor delicate, and much relished by some. Ships well and sells readily. Will flourish wherever the persimmon does. Grafted on native roots. Price 25 cents, \$2.50 per dozen.

ORNAMENTAL DEPARTMENT.

Allamanda Hendersonii—Shrub, or half climber, with dark green, glossy leaves, always loaded with showy yellow flowers, with brown throat, from $3\frac{1}{2}$ to $4\frac{1}{2}$ inches in diameter. One of our very best ornamental shrubs. Stands wind, sun and drouth well. Price 25 cents.

Acalypha—Splendid, showy foliage plant of rapid growth. Price 25 to 50 cents.

Bamboo—*Bambusa Vulgaris*.

Attains a height of 30 to 50 feet, and does well on any soil. Splendid for wind breaks. One of the most imposing trees for ornament and startling tropical effect; shoot grow one foot a day; 2 and 3 years old, independent established roots.

Price, 15 to 18 feet high, \$1; 6 to 8 feet, 2 years old 50 cents; 1 to 3 feet, 1 year old, 25 cents, \$2.50 per dozen, \$15 per hundred. Nursery grown plants are far better than root cuttings or suckers usually sent out by nurserymen, as they are sure to live, with any sort of ordinary care.

BANANA SHRUB—*Magnolia fuscata*.

Leaves thick and glossy; growth compact. Flowers the exact odor of a ripe banana. Price 25 to 50 cents.

Cacti—These plants require rich, but dry sand, and some varieties want plenty of sun, others want shade. Prices, 25, 50 and 75 cents, according to size; \$2.50 per dozen, assorted varieties, except where noted.

Casuarina Equisetifolia—Rapid growing evergreen from Australia. Price 25 to 35 cents, \$2.50 per dozen, \$15 per hundred.

Croton--Foliage plant, with thick, tough, leathery leaves and stems; proof to sun and wind. I have a very fine collection of the newest varieties of this gorgeous plant. Price, 3 inch pots 25 cents, \$2.50 per dozen; 4 inch pots 35 cents, \$3.50 per dozen; 5 inch pots 50 cents, \$5 per dozen; 6 inch pots 75 cents, \$7 per dozen; 8 inch pots \$1.50.

CAPE JESSAMINE—*Gardenia Florida*.

Glossy, dark green foliage, and large

double, fragrant white flowers. Very hardy and ornamental. Price 25 cents.

CAMPHOR TREE—*Laurus Camphora*.

An ornamental evergreen with glossy leaves and red new growth. The gum of this tree is the camphor of commerce. Two years old in 4 inch pots 25 cents, \$2.50 per dozen; 1 year in 3 inch pots 15 cents, \$1 per dozen, \$5 per hundred.

CINNAMON TREE—*Cinnamanum Officinale*

The inner bark of this tree is the cinnamon bark of commerce. 6 in. pot 50c.

DATURA—*Alba*.

Large, tree-like plants, bearing a profusion of pure white trumpet-shaped flowers, 8 to 12 inches long and very fragrant. Price 25 cents.

HIBISCUS ROSA SINENSIS—The Hibiscus is our most satisfactory tree for blossoms. In bloom the entire year and always loaded. Single pink with white edge, for hedges, 2 years old, 25 cents, \$2.50 per dozen, \$15.00 per hundred; double red, double rose, single cardinal, 25 cents each; double salmon, double variegated, single buff, fuschia-flowered, 35 cents; double yellow, 50 cents.

INDIA RUBBER OF COMMERCE—*Ficus elastica*.

Similar to our wild India Rubber, but leaves from 8 to 12 inches long, and very thick and glossy. Every new leaf is surrounded by a bright new sheath before it

opens, and thus each branch is tipped with a flame colored spike which simulates a blossom. 5 to 6 in. pots 75 cents to \$1.25.

Wild India Rubber—Fine rapid growing evergreen. Excellent shade tree. Nursery grown, 25 cents each.

JASMINE—

Catalonia—Climber with very fragrant, white, star shaped blossoms. Price 35c.

Night Blooming—Rampant grower bearing small yellow blossoms which are extremely fragrant at night, odor resembling the Heliotrope. Price 25 to 50 cents.

Arabian—Glossy foliage and double white fragrant blossoms. A beautiful climber. Price 35 to 50 cents.

MEXICAN ROSE—Tree like plant, bearing double white blossoms, changing to pink at noon and red at night. Price 50 cents.

OLEANDER—*Nerium Rosea*.

Rapid growing evergreen, with tough shoots and foliage, making it invaluable for wind break. Blossoms double pink, and possessing a peach bloom fragrance. Price 25c, \$2 per doz, \$10 to \$15 per 100.

N. Alba—White flowers. Price 30 cents.

Phylanthus—Very ornamental foliage plant. Long stems of small round leaves, white, rose and green variegated. Rapid grower, standing sun and wind well. Price 6 inch pots 50 cents.

✓ **POINCIANA**—*Cæsalpina Regia*.

Royal—Rapid growing tree with fern-like, velvety green foliage bearing large scarlet blossoms in the spring and summer. Price 25 to 50 cents.

✓ **Red**—*C. Pulcherrima*. Foliage less showy, habit more dwarf. Blossoms much younger, bearing smaller blossoms marked with orange yellow. Price 25 to 35c.

Yellow—*C. Pul. Flava*. Similar to latter with yellow blossoms. Price 25 to 35c

POINSETTA—*Euphorbia Pulcherrima*.

Tree-like plant, with handsome foliage, bearing clusters of large, brilliant, velvety, scarlet leaves in winter, on the ends of the branches. Price 25 to 50 cents.

Roses—I can recommend the Marechal Neil alone as entirely satisfactory for a veranda or on the north side of a building. I keep these always in stock on native roots at 35 and 50c. Also La France and other popular sorts. From open ground, 35 cents. 6-inch pot grown specimens 35 cents.

✓ **Tecoma**—*T. Capensis*.

Evergreen shrub climber, with compound foliage, and brilliant red blossoms. Stands heat and drouth well. Price 25c.

✓ **Silk Oak**—*Grevillea Robusta*.

Rapid growing shade tree, with fern-like leaves, tough and glossy. ann standing wind well. Price 25 to 50 cents, \$2 50 per dozen, \$15 per hundred.

Umbrella Tree—Akin to the Chinaberry, but of a most symmetrical umbrella shape, and bearing abundance of blue and white fragrant blossoms. A very rapid and vigorous grower. Price 25 to 50 cts, \$2.50 per dozen, \$15 per hundred.

Variegated Spanish Bayonet—Similar to the wild variety but with foliage beautifully variegated with white, yellow and pink. Three distinct varieties. Price 25 and 50c

CRINUM—*Crinum Americanum*.

American—Magnificent, sturdy, perennial lillies, with stem 8 inches through at the base and from 3 to 4 feet high. General appearance tropical. Flowers pure white and born in clusters on stem starting from main stalk. Price 25 cents, \$2 per dozen.

Nassau—Similar, with flowers striped carmine. Price 25 to 50 cents.

Kirkii—Large, fine blossoms like *Amaryllis*. Superb. Price 50 cents.

VINES AND CLIMBERS.

Tecoma Rosea—New. A splendid climber, with racemes of trumpet shaped flowers 1 to 2 feet in length, color rosy lilac, with yellow throat. Prices 50 to 75c

Antigonum Leptopus—Vigorous climber, bearing long racemes of pink blossoms with cinnamon odor. Price 35 cents.

PALMS, ETC.

Areca Lutescens—A very beautiful palm at an early age. Foliage very distinct and trunk and leaf stems smooth and yellow, giving it a striking appearance. Price 25 to 50 cents, \$2.50 per dozen.

Bull Thatch Palm—*Sabal Blackburniana*
Native of the West Indies and perfectly hardy here. Price 25 to 50 cents, \$2.50 per dozen, \$15 per hundred.

COCOANUT—*Cocos Nucifera*.

Well-known Cocoanut palm. Price 25 cents each, special prices on quantities delivered.

Hardy—*C. Campestris*. Resembles both the Date and the Cocoanut, yet differs from either in the shape and outline of the leaves when mature. Price 75 cents.

Curly Palm—*Kentia Balmoreana*.

Foliage very distinct and beautiful, curly and waved; dark, glossy green. Price 75 cents.

Common Date—Two year old 25 cents, \$2 per dozen, \$12 per hundred; 3 years old 35 cents, \$3.50 per dozen.

Fountain Date—*Phoenix Rupicola*.

Most beautiful of the entire family and said to resemble a fountain in play, hence its name Price 25 to 50c, larger \$1

Fan Palm—*Latania Borbonica*.

A very pretty palm, with glossy, recurved, fan-shaped leaves. Pots 35, 50 and 75 cents; tubs \$2.

Royal Palm—*Oreodoxa Regia*.

Very beautiful, graceful palm, with bluish-green, plume like leaves, attaining a height of 100 feet. The green stem, butt or "boot" of each leaf encases the trunk for several feet below where it leaves the tree, giving it a peculiar and attractive appearance. Three inch pots 2 to 3 feet high, 25 cents, \$2 per dozen, \$10 per hundred; 4 inch pots 35 cents; 5 and 6 inch pots 50 cents.

Sago Palm—*Cycas Revoluta*.

One of the most beautiful palm-like trees for ornament. Too well known to require description. Hardy and quite at home in our sandy soil. Price 25 cents to \$10 according to size.

Screw Pine—*Pandanus Utilis*.

A very curious, ornamental plant, somewhat resembling the pineapple. Leaves glossy green, with blood red thorns on margin and midrib arranged in turns or whorls about the axis of the plant. Price 25 cents to \$10 according to size.

SILK PALM—*Washingtonia Filifera*.

Hardy fan palm which is always covered with a drapery of white, wavy threads. Price 25 cents each, \$2.50 per dozen, \$15 per hundred.

TRAVELERS TREE—*Ravenala Madagascariensis*.

Leaves like a banana, arranged in fan shape, and a trunk like a palm. Very odd. Six inch pots \$1. Tubs \$2.50 to \$10.00.



MISCELLANEOUS.

Arbor Vita—Very ornamental evergreens of the cedar type which seem particularly at home here. Several of the choicest new varieties from Europe. Two year 25 cents, \$2 per dozen, \$12 per hundred. Three year 35 cents, \$4 per dozen, \$20 per hundred.

PAMPAS GRASS—*Erianthus Ravennæ*.

Grows luxuriantly anywhere. Large, white feathery plumes, borne in summer often 18 inches long. Very showy. Price 25 cents.

Strawberries—See special list.

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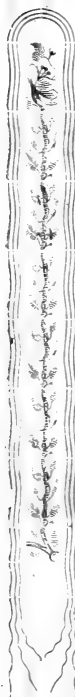
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